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MESSAGE ADDRESSED TO NAME NO.59 IN MOSCOW (1942)

From: STOCKHOLM

To: MOSCOW

No: 220

4 Feb. 42

To [Name No. 59.]^[i]

1. Information received from Swedish sailors:[a]

(a) In STETTIN there are at present:-

a cruiser with a displacement of approximately 7,000 tons,
 6 destroyers with an average displacement of between 1,000 and
 1,500 tons,
 4 medium submarines.

(b) In LIBAVA[b] there is at present a motor torpedo boat squadron[R.M.T.B.]
 consisting of about 24 motor torpedo boats.2. [4 groups unrecovered] in BERGEN the areas delimited by [the following][c]
 co-ordinates, are declared closed to shipping:59° 57'5. 5° 16' the northern extremity of FONDO^[ii]

59° 59'2. 5° 16'4.

59° 59'7. 5° 16'7.

59° 59'8. 5° 16'8

[4 groups unrecovered].

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$59^{\circ} 58' 9$, $5^{\circ} 19' 5$ the northern extremity of STORD [i] [i, group unrecovered] up to $59^{\circ} 57' 6$, $5^{\circ} 17' 6$

[15 groups unrecovered]

[36 groups unrecoverable]

OS [iii] $60^{\circ} 11' 1$, $5^{\circ} 28' 8$. Vessels passing close [to them] must

[15 groups unrecovered]

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(Name No. 64) [iv]

Notes: [a] Or "a Swodish sailor"

[b] LI&PAYa/LIBAU

[c] Inserted by translator.

Comments: [i] Name No. 59 : After August 1942, this is thought to be Capt. Aleksej TARADIN, Soviet Naval Attaché in STOCKHOLM 10.8.42 - 23.9.45. This is the only recorded instance of Name No. 59 in MOSCOW.

[ii] FONDØ and STORD : Islands on the southern side of SELBJÖRN FJORD, NORWAY.

[iii] OS : A town on the mainland south of BERGEN, and on the west side of FUSE FJORD, NORWAY.

[iv] Name No. 64 : Probably Aleksandr PAVLOV, Tass correspondent in SWEDEN 19.11.39 - 12.8.44.